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Mr. Joseph Legare, Assistant Manager
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Dear Mr. Legare:


The State has received and reviewed the final "Building 776/777 Closure Project Decommissioning Operations Plan", Revision 0, dated November 3, 1999. The plan is acceptable and approval is hereby granted to proceed with building 776/777 decommissioning activities as described within this RFCA decision document.


We appreciate your recent efforts in resolving some very significant comments on the draft plan that were presented by the State, EPA and the City of Broomfield. We anticipate that the cooperation evidenced during this effort will continue during the implementation phase of the 776/777 project. We recognize that Building 776/777 decommissioning will present unique challenges not faced before in other RFETS projects. Close communications between our staffs, per the RFCA collaborative process, will be important.

Regarding ARARs, the state acknowledges that regulations promulgated by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission are not legally "applicable" to the decommissioning. However, it is our understanding that the parties will continue to discuss the possibility that these regulations may be relevant and appropriate to decommissioning.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Should there be need for clarification on this approval or on project implementation, please call Edd Kray at 966-2115.

Sincerely,


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